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AND

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To all the Seed Royal, the true followers of the Lamb of God.

YOU are no more of the perverſe rebellious offſpring, but through various breakings are become formed into the meek and lovely temper of our deareſt Lord; you have taken leave of the harſh, ſour, critical, opiniative, low, narrow, fordid, cenſorious ſpirit of the lofty pretenders, and mere profeſſors; you have ears to hear: to you therefore a few words touching theſe prophecies, and the inſtrument by whom they have been conveyed to us.

Theſe were given out about the end of January laſt 167¼, and not long after, printed in Nether-Dutch (in the native Country of this ſervant of the Lord;) ſince which, ſundry of theſe predictions have, beyond all human expectations, already had their fulfillings with a witneſs: which may the more excite us to be upon our watch for the following part. There cannot, may not one word hereof be altered, (which I have diligently obſerved in my tranſlation,) for ſo hath the publiſher aſſured me, he being under a divine command in all he hath herein uttered. At this ſome deride, this is fanatick and fooliſh; but they may find their conviction by the Apoſtle Peter (2. Ep. iii. 2. 3. &c.) others cry, fire and faggot; this is of dangerous conſequence, when there is no other deſign, but that the meek, loving holy ſpirit of Chriſt

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Chriſt might fill and rule the world: and what damage can you have by that? others judge, this is crying, lo here and lo there is Chriſt; but wiſdom is juſtified of her children: ſurely theſe are not the words of him that hath a devil, (John. x. 21. or of a ſeducer, who, in conformity to our Lord, (Luk. xvii. 21.) counſels you (pag. 14.) to look for Chriſt in your own ſouls; not here at Loretta, there at Compoſtella, &c.

If you conſider the endowments and qualifications of him who adminiſtered theſe things viz. a man of much human learning, yet wholly ſtudious of, and devoted to divine teachings, not intermeddling with human governments, or their quarrels; a man to whom providence hath been bountiful in that which worldings account their God, and as men ſpeak, a perſon of honour, yet, preferring the true honour, willing only to be known by the title of the ſervant of God; for whoſe meſſage's ſake, you may find (page. 28.) what hard meaſures he (as others before him) hath received from the world: hence may theſe diſcoveries among the godly-wiſe be free from that ſuſpicion which commonly ariſeth in theſe caſes. To ſay nothing of the wonderful appearances of God with him in the former paſſages of his life, of which an account hath already been given forth, and is known to many of the Engliſh nation.

For my part, I look upon all men and their works with a moſt friendly aſpect, ſo far as they tend to the drawing ſouls towards God, improvement of holineſs, and advancing the ways of Zion, notwithſtanding that ſome expreſſions may not juſt accord with what is commonly received. The proneneſs of men to find fault with thoſe is from an unchriſtian ſpirit, commonly very envious, or invincibly ignorant.

I conclude with this free declaration of my moſt inward thoughts, that I neither in this tranſlation, nor any other of my deſigns aim at any the leaſt prejudice to the perſons of any earthly king or potentate; but mourn and pray for them, and would do them good, (Jer. xviii. 20.) if it might lie in my power, (though it hath been part of my portion to be miſunderſtood in that and other things:) yet would I not flatter them, (Job. xxxii. 21. 22.) nor do I fear their terror. (Iſa. viii. 12. &c. 1. Pet. iii. 14. 15. Rom. xiii. 3.) Tho' "*they can kill me they cannot hurt me*," (Epict. Ἐμὲ δὲ Ανυτος και Μέλιτος ἀποκτεῖναι μεν δύναται, βλάψαι δὲ ὐ)

I ſubſcribe myſelf, a lover of all men, eſpecially of them who love our Lord Jeſus in ſincerity.

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PREFACE.

Chriſtian Readers,

THE exceeding great need, and the obligation of my duty, engage me to hold forth to you all this following writing, called Prophecies and Revelations of God. *Theſe are nothing elſe ſave the voice of God to the world; and eſpecially to you my countrymen. The Lord bow your hearts to a true repentance. There is among you a ſpirit of unbelief, rebellion, and obſtinacy: if you go on deſpiſing the voice of God, lo the uttermoſt ſubverſion and deſtruction is pronounced upon you. The Lord muſt be acknowledged in his works, and the wicked counſel of his enemies diſcovered; ſo ſhall God he glorified, and the works of God and his ſpirit known and renowned. The wiſe letter-learned teachers deſpiſe all extraordinary workings of God; becauſe they ſeeing themſelves through unbelief deprived thereof, will rather condemn, than conſent to them in others. So are a people brought off from God, and Satan robs many ſouls. The Lord Chriſt ſets up his kingdom, ſo fall all his enemies. The Lord rules; ſo makes he deſolate the adverſaries. There is a great deal of rag-*

ing noiſe upon the earth. The mighty potentates fall before the Lamb, and the tyrant is ſlain by the caſting of David's ſling-ſtone, without force and weapons. Who comprehends this myſtery, and who underſtands this ſecret? The Lord, the Lord exerciſeth judgment, and the Almighty erects his banner. So learn men to practiſe righteouſneſs and truth; and the earth is prepared for the Lord. As is a bride adorned for her bridegroom; ſo is the ſeed at the diſpoſal of the ſower, and the creature of his Creator. The ſower ſoweth, and the ſeed groweth, ſo is the earth built up anew, and it bringeth forth fruit of praiſe and thankfulneſs to the Lord for ever. All fields become green, ſo is the world repleniſhed with bleſſings from on high; and God ſits upon his throne, judging all fleſh. Bleſſed is he that heareth and doeth the commandments of God, and the words of his prophecies. Amen.

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SOME PROPHECIES AND REVELATIONS of GOD,

Concerning the Chriſtian World in this Age.

CHRISTENDOM is a tearing beaſt, and that which treads down and devoureth all; as the ſame ſtands deſcribed by Daniel, (chap. vii. ver. 7.) and that itſelf ſhall be overcome, broken in pieces, and brought to powder by the ſtone made without hands (which is Chriſt) we may clearly ſee in the ſecond chapter. The government of God is wonderful in the monarchies, and in none more wonderful than in this fourth monarchy; which being the laſt, ſhall be followed by no other ſave the Godly monarchy: as appears there out of the 35 ver. of the ſame chapter. The truth hereof is clear, and ought not to be doubted of by any man. The fifth monarchy being godly, and giving an entrance into the eternal, muſt we with all ſtrength, might, zeal, courage, in the fear of God advance: and withſtand the power of its enemies, and bring them down, praying to God for help and aſſiſtance.

The prophecies and revelations of God, which the Almighty hath given to me (his ſervant) are many: and I have freedom to make known to the world theſe following.

The Romiſh empire ſhall be divided by itſelf, and be rent aſunder by her own princes and ſtates. It hath long compelled the world to ſerve her, therefore is her judgement ready. Behold a mighty prince cometh againſt it, and he ſhall overpower the greateſt part: and the height of it's throne ſhall be caſt down: and a time of repentance hath been given to it, and it hath not repented: So comes her judgment with the whore of Babel as upon one day. Behold the wrath of God Almighty ſhall do it, and her fall is for ever.

The Prince, who comes againſt that kingdom, is the great emperor of the Mahometans, who ſhall over-maſter the greateſt part thereof; and ſo take vengeance upon the tyranny, which that beaſt hath exerciſed againſt the children of the high places: and ſo it being given over into his hands, ſhall undergo his puniſhing. The Lord God of heaven and earth being about to ſet up his kingdom, judgeth the nations of the earth; and ſtirreth up the ſword of one againſt another; and ſo is deſtroying, and judging Babel by its own ſelf. The wrath of the Lord is kindled, and double is given her to drink, and her cup is full,

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and it is rewarded unto her as ſhe hath done to others; and lo her fall is for ever and ever.

The kings of the earth have made their warlike preparations, and are entered into a war againſt the Lord and his anointed: So is their judgment made ready. Behold the one draws out the ſword againſt the other, and executes the judgments of God: So is Babel judged through herſelf, and the perſecutor is perſecuted: and they who led others into priſon, are themſelves led into priſon; and the revenge is of the Lord. Behold the time draws nigh that the great God will ſet up the kingdom of his Son: So is the world purged by wars, peſtilences, famine, and all ſorts of heavy plagues. The Lord will be king alone over the whole earth. Amen.

The king of France is a rod of God, for to chaſtiſe the nations, and ſo to deſtroy many lands and people. He is a Nebuchadnezzar, a ſervant of the moſt high God, for to puniſh Jeruſalem for her ſins. So God ſends him with a great power againſt her; and lo, he takes in many cities and ſtrong holds, and he tempts them to their apoſtacy and rebellion againſt God with a ſore trial. Thou art Jeruſalem (O Netherland!) and if thou doſt not ſpeedily repent, behold thy uttermoſt miſery and torment is at the door: Nevertheleſs thou art even as Jeruſalem rebellious againſt God, ſo thy puniſhment draws near: and

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behold thou art domineered over by thy enemy, and the Lord ſearcheth home thy unrighteouſneſs; for thou ſcoffeſt at the men of God ſent to thee, and when they admoniſhed to thee amendment, and that thou ſhoudleſt lie down in ſackcloth and aſhes, then didſt thou mount aloft in all arrogancy. Behold ſo doth the Lord try thee with all ſorts of plagues, war, peſtilence, famine, tempeſtuous winds, waters, and fire from heaven. Lo all theſe plagues ſhall come upon thee as upon one day. The Lord makes his woe upon woe come, and thy pain is grievous. Behold thy judgment approacheth, and the Almighty cometh.

The king of England is a rod of God, and ſhall viſit thee with ſhips; and his judgments draw nigh, that the Lord ſhall ſeverely ſearch home his unthankfulneſs. The ſubjects of his kingpom throw the yoke from off their neck, and lo there ariſe a people in the north part of his kingdom, that ſhall have dominion over all. He ſhall fly before them, and a heavy ſentence is executed againſt him; the Lord revenging the wicked: And his kingdom is given to the prince that ſhall come, and his dominion is for ever. The nations and people learn righteouſneſs, and the earth is enlightened through his brightneſs. Out of thee (O England!) comes forth a people, and the ſame ſhall overpower the whole earth. And out of thee ſhall the Lord of heaven and

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earth form an army. Out of thee ſhall come forth ſtrong ſtrong ones furniſhed with might and magnanimity ; for to bring the whole earth to the obedience of one Prince, who is Lord of all. He rouzeth up his men of courage: And lo the time draws nigh, that Babel ſhall be judged.

The kings and princes are all in arms: And who gives battle to them, but the Lord, for their judgment is come? they are flying before the wrath of God ; for a ſmall and and deſpiſed people, which God hath preſerved, ſhall inherit their lordſhip; and their dominion and glory ſhall be taken from them, and the Lord ſhall make his people poſſeſs all ; for the time is come, that the ſaints muſt enjoy the kingdom of the earth: So is every one a valiant man, and prepares himſelf to the battle, for the Lord will be exalted among his people. The trumpet blows. Draw up to the battle for the Lamb, and poſſeſs the earth. The Lord goes before the army of his folk; who ſhall fear? Be watchful and be ſtrong The Lord overcomes, and he is King in Zion unto all eternity. Amen.

The people who ſat under oppreſſion is ſet free: And the witneſſes, who lay ſlain upon the ſtreets of the great city, ſtand upon their feet and live. The woman comes out of the wilderneſs, and the cries of the ſouls ſlain under the altar is heard: So is righteouſneſs effected upon the earth,

earth, and Babel and her leaders are judged, and her puniſhment draws nigh. I ſee the armies gathered to war, and their number is as the ſand of the ſea in multitude. Behold there comes a mighty Prince out of a land that lies far off; and he lays waſte the cities of his neighbours: Poland, Hungary, Italy, Germany ſhall not be ſpared. He ſhall alſo drive back another mighty prince to his own land. When he is come there, his own ſubjects ſhall riſe up againſt him, and kill him, the Lord ſo avenging the wickedneſs of his hands. The firſt prince is the Turkiſh emperor, who ſhall through his might drive back the king of France for to defend his own kingdom; he being diſpatched out of hand, and killed by his own people: Afterward flies the firſt mighty prince back again to his land, and lo he is killed as the other prince; but his ſubjects receive the word of truth, and behold the Lord Jeſus is their king and prince: So is the world, and her haughtineſs, and her kings, and mighty ones judged; and there is no more king upon the whole earth ſave Jeſus. Theſe days draw near: Behold the people of God ſtand ready, for to execute the vengeance of God againſt Babel and her commanders. Amen.

The Wars, which are now carried on, are prepared to execute the judgments of God, foretold by Daniel (Chap. ix. ver 27.) and alledged by

by our Saviour: whereof we read (Matth. Chap. 24. ver. 15, 21.) where we ſee that it ſhould be ſuch a diſtreſſed time, as never was before, nor never more ſhould be. This time (ſay I) is at hand, and lo the Lord hath begun it, and his judgments ſleep not, but make haſte, and behold the Lord cometh to revenge: yet ſhall his days and time be ſhortened (according to his promiſe) for the elects' ſake. The inſtruments for the bringing forth the judgments of God are ready, and Gog and Magog ſtand prepared, and lo their might conſumeth all, but the Lord judgeth them: and Michael ſtands before the army of God, and lo their enemies fly; and the Lord drives them back, and fire from heaven conſumes them: So comes the prince of peace, and over-powers all. This prophecy is true: The Lord be witneſs between me and the people. There are many and divers things to be ſaid, which ſhall be all in their ſeaſon made known to the world. Touching my native country (Netherland) This ſhall through the heavy judgments of God be brought as it were to a deſolation, and the third part of men ſhall not remain over therein; for the ſword, the peſtilence, and the famine ſhall waſte away their inhabitants. Death ſhall reign among them, and the living ſhall ſhun them becauſe of the frightfullneſs of the judgments and chaſtening hand of God. The Lord ſhall bring his viſitation upon all kingdoms and countries of the world. Every one for himſelf

ſelf ſhall receive his deſerved puniſhment, and that ſpeedily.

There is a diſturbance among the Inhabitants of the earth: every one ſees his judgments and puniſhment approaching. No man repents him as he ought: ſo are they all ſwallowed up of the ſame. Behold the kings and rulers of the world have grievouſly ſinned, their ſubjects have ſinned. The old have ſinned, the young have ſinned, ſo are they all found guilty, and their deſtruction ſlumbers not. The teacher hath ſinned: the learner hath ſinned: ſo is there alſo a great judgment laid and pronounced upon their way. Behold they have miſled the world, and all go a whoring after them and cry; *here is Chriſt:* but you ſhould not have gone out, but have abode in your bed-chamber, and there have ſought for Chriſt in your ſouls: for they have ſeduced you, and drawn you off from the living God to vain and dead creatures, whom you have believed and followed. Behold ſo comes the Lord, and exerciſeth vengeance upon them and you; and the leader, and they who are led, fall under the rod and chaſtizing hand of God: and lo the ſword of Elijah goeth againſt all falſe prophets: and their followers execute juſtice againſt them; for they were miſerably miſled by them. So doth God exerciſe righteouſneſs againſt them, and they are killed by their followers, and ſlain before the altar of their

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falſe worſhip. So doth God revenge the wicked, and the miſleading of the falſe teachers, and prieſts in this age.

The ſtormy winds out of the north ſhall do much damage to men and beaſts. God ſhall alſo cauſe Pharaoh with his might, and the ſhips of his fleet, to be drowned in the ſea. When the Lord ſhall have executed his wrath by the king of England, his ſtrength ſhall by a ſtorm out of the north be deſtroyed, and ſink and periſh in the depth of the ſea. This ſhall the Lord do between the north-end of his kingdom, and theſe lands; for an everlaſting teſtimony againſt that king and his ringleaders: for they were the rod of God, and ſo the Lord breaks the ſame, and burns him with the fire of his anger: and ſo are the wicked of the earth revenged, and the Lord chaſtizeth the ungodly with an everlaſting vengeance, and death: and ſo is the Lord honoured in the midſt of Iſrael, and their redemption draws nigh: and the way is prepared for the King Jeſus to his glorious kingdom, to begin in our days. Let every one prepare himſelf for the receiving of him. Amen. Hallelujah.

There ſhall a joyful ſong be ſung to the inhabitants of the Britiſh Iſle: for the Lord ſhall ſhine forth in glory among them. There ſhall ariſe an army of God's worthies and a ſtandard of the Almighty ſhall be lifted up, under which the faithful

ful ſervants of God ſhall ſerve; and theſe ſhall break all the powers of the earth, ſo comes the Lord to avenge: and lo Iſrael makes war for the Lord, and their revenge is by the Lord: and the Lord is exalted in Iſrael: and God honoureth and eſteemeth Iſrael for their valiantneſs: and behold the Lord is King in Iſrael: and the earth is become the Lord's, and his Chriſts: and lo all is become new: and God is with, and among his people. Amen. Hallelujah.

The wonders, which God will work among his people, are not to be deſcribed. Behold their enemies ſhall fly at their coming. The hearts of the commanders among them ſhall be weak and feeble: and on the contrary Iſrael ſhall be endued with a ſpirit of courage and valour ſo that ten ſhall ſlay a hundred, and a hundred a thouſand. This prophecy is now to be fulfilled. The Lord ſhall carry on all wars, before whom all enemies muſt fly; ſo is the ſword of the Lord ſharpened, and it is drunk with the blood of the ſlain: and behold the Lord judgeth the earth, and all nations are corrected, and Iſrael is not excuſed: but as the gold is refined in the fire, ſo is a people prepared for the Lord for ever. Amen.

When the Lords chaſtizing ſhall ceaſe, then muſt the earth be renew'd by the glory of the Lord, which ſhall ſhine upon it: but the nations muſt firſt and before that be purified, and the people learn

learn righteouſneſs: then is the Lord ready to be to Iſrael for a King, and to take them on for his people: and ſo is all new, and all new-born: and this is the new heaven and earth, whereof the holy ſcripture ſpeaks. Its fulneſs goes into the eternal life, where God is all in all. This leſſon is needful: the Lord learns all: let every one ſee how he hears and underſtands, that he may not come to knock when the door is ſhut; and ſo be kept without for ever.

The monarchies are by Daniel compared to beaſts: and ſo ſhewed to him by God; and all their violence is kindled by Satan: and ſo do they, and their Kings nothing elſe but conſume and devour; eſpecially this fourth monarchy, under which we live: after which nevertheleſs ſhall come another, and an everlaſting monarchy, compared to a ſtone; and which being made without hands, becomes a great mountain, which fills the whole earth. To the people of the ſaints of the high places is this monarchy and the dominion thereof given. This promiſe of God is now fulfilled: and behold the earth, and its honour, and the glory of all monarchies is brought into his kingdom. The Lord commands me to bring the world this meſſage, and their time is come, that all the monarchies be beaten together, and brought to powder and chaff, and blown away with the wind; that no remembrance of the ſame might remain.

The prophecy (Dan ix. 27.) of the making deſolate the abomination (whereof mention is made before) behold it is now: and who ſhall turn away the wrath of God? for it is ſurely determined to come to paſs, and it ſhall endure unto the end, till God have ſubdued all his enemies: and ſo ſhall Iſrael glory in their God alone, and triumph over all their enemies. Doth any man aſk, if the time until this monarchy be long? I anſwer; It begins ſo ſoon as Iſrael is purified. Be corrected Iſrael: behold your King comes, and the Kingdom takes its beginning. And behold Chriſt reigneth, and and his hundred and four and forty thouſand are with the Lamb upon Mount Zion: and all is become Chriſt's, and his ſaints'. Death and hell and damnation are overcome: and lo your warfare is for an everlaſting glory, and triumph in God, who only hath the dominion. Amen. Hallelujah.

The earth is God's, and he is monarch of all. The Kings have borne the portraiture of his glory; and this hath been lent them for a time, that in the end of days they might glorify God, and bring all their majeſty into his kingdom, and ſo not magnifying themſelves, but God. The Lord Chriſt is the heir of all: he muſt lord it. Lo his kingdom is always: but now more openly ſet to ſhow in the world; ſo rules this King with power, and beats down all the lordſhips of the earth:

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and behold the Lord comes to judgment: and all the kindreds ſhall wail and mourn, ſeeing the Lord come upon the clouds with glory and majeſty; and his holy angels and faithful ones with him in great number: with ſongs and mirth praiſing the king, and lauding and honouring his majeſty unto all eternity. Amen. Hallelujah.

The Lord Jeſus chargeth all to be obedient to the great *Mandate*, proclaimed to all the kings of the earth. If any man be diſobedient, he ſhall bear his puniſhment for ever. It is a command of God to all Kings and mighty ones, that they lay down their crowns and dominion before the throne of God, and the Lamb; and caſt themſelves under his government, and ſo ſhew their ſubjection to the Lord Jeſus, before whom all knees muſt bow. This great *Mandate* is ſent to all the kings and the mighty through all Europe by the ſervant of the Lord in the year 1668. to give them to know the will of the moſt High, and ſo to bring all honour and glory only to the Meſſiah, as being ſet before them all, for their King, as to whom alone all belongs. This great *Mandate* is (ſay I) written by the command of the Lord, and in the Latin tongue ſent to them all: the Lord judge between them and me.

It is an eternal promiſe of God, that he ſhall gather his children together, and bring them to one head and church, which is under their King

Chriſt. This time is now; and behold, there is a banner ſet up in the Northern part of the world; thereunto ſhall all God's mighty ones gather themſelves: and lo the Lord ſhall be with and under the banner. This is tranſplanted from place to place; as the Lord appoints. The people gather themſelves round about the ſame, and the nations aſſemble to the Lord. All, whoſe names are written in the book of life, gather themſelves together to Shiloh, and the Lord is their refuge. The nations draw up every one out of their land, for to worſhip the Lord under the ſtandard; and lo this is the ſtandard of God moſt high, and as a token of his coming, and preſence under the ſtandard: and this is a token of his people for ever, that the Lord is among them.

The great violence of ſoldiers, and their chieftains is for a ſhort time. And then ſhall peace be publiſhed over all the earth. There ſhall a general deſolation go before; and there muſt be a ſcattering abroad of God's people; and the city Jeruſalem be deſtroyed; and the holy place unhallowed: and ſo comes the Shiloh: and the Lord Jeſus enters on his Kingdom. So fall the mighty of the earth, and the Lord is King upon his holy hill: and behold the fullneſs of the Gentiles comes, and ſalvation is brought forth through the Immanuel. Hear all ye nations and people: behold

hold the Lord cometh, yea he cometh haſtily. Amen. Hallelujah.

The trumpet ſounds to the march: the voice of John crieth out of the wilderneſs. The darkneſs vaniſheth away, the light is born, the day breaks through. The Kingdom of Chriſt ſhines forth in glory, the ſtrong ones appear. BABEL falls, Jeruſalem is built: the Lord ſets up his banner: the high mountains are laid low, the low vallies are exalted. The mourners are comforted, and to the perſecuted reſt and peace given. The hungry fed. The thirſty refreſhed. The ſick healed. The dead raiſed up: and behold all is new under the Kingdom of Chriſt, which endures to all eternity.

Hell ſpues out its poiſon, and the devil burſts with vexation, that the Kingdom of Chriſt breaks forth. So do men live above all the ſtrength and powers of hell. And the Lord is a great God among his own, who makes them have dominion over all: So doth the Lord overcome all in his, and his honour is ſpread abroad through them; and the Lord comes in his Kingdom, which they are. Let hell, and her inſtruments ſpue poiſon againſt this prophecy, all can do nothing. the Lord ſhall fulfil the ſame within a ſhort time. The deeds of the men of God, and their faith ſhall conquer all their adverſaries. Woe to the wicked wight, and the teacher, that dares ſet

himſelf againſt this prophecy; he ſhall be heavily revenged! hear Iſrael, hear! behold thy King cometh out of the eaſt, and his name is Melchizedeck. He hath a great multitude with him: and lo they take poſſeſſion of the whole earth. The tribes that were carried away come to appear, and their King with them. With everlaſting health and ſalvation are they conducted in the way. Amen. Hallelujah.

The wiſdom of God ſhews itſelf in his work, and we ſee that God brings all back to its beginning. The creation was finiſhed in ſix days. The flood took all awayin a ſhort time. The ark was built. Noah with his were preſerved. A new earth, and a new generation came to appear. So do men ſee all come to paſs in this time. Many ſhall betake themſelves to the ſhips, ſeeing the general ruin approach, and the univerſal flood coming on: and ſo preſerving themſelves from the judgment of God, thoſe who remain over ſhall make a new earth: ſo is all renewed as of old. The Lord is always the ſame, and his works through him rule all. Amen.

It is a great blindneſs and hard-neckedneſs of men, who deſpiſe all fore-warnings, and mock at the prophecies of God; and caluminate the inſtruments, which God uſeth for to declare to the world the judgments of God: Such are hated,

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perſecuted, whipped, and alſo often killed; though always for a ſad judgment upon the judges, and thoſe who are the cauſe thereof. The Lord Chriſt, the prophets, apoſtles and martyrs, both of the Old and New Teſtament may be witneſſes of the ſame: eſpecially thoſe who have ſuffered under this fourth monarchy: in Germany, Italy, France, Spain, in England, Netherland, and in other lands among the Chriſtians: Where we find, that the fourth beaſt hath raged exceſſively; and murdered more than all the three former beaſts, and hath killed the ſaints and loving children of God: and ſo hath made itſelf guilty of ſo much blood, tears and ſighs of the true children of God. The Lord will once fill up the meaſure of their unrighteouſneſs, and give his children an everlaſting conſolation. Amen.

The times are wicked: the ungodly lord it over all, but their fall comes ſpeedily as a whirlwind: And hell opens her mouth, to ſwallow up all unrighteous, and falſe deceitful men. Even ſo ſhall the God of heaven and earth do with all high-minded, proud and forſworn kings. The tyranny, wherewith the king of France quells and plagues his ſubjects and neighbours: and the perjury of the king of England againſt God, his own people and his neighbours: think you that God will not avenge the ſame in the heavieſt manner? The Lord ſhall ſhortly make them both for a reproach. Let the world judge

what they will. I ſpeak words of truth; and prophecy their fall, that the ſame is dreadful before the eyes of all the world: So doth God ſtrike the ungodly when they think themſelves to be moſt ſecure. The Lord requites them according to their deſervings; for their work is driven on by the wicked ſpirit: Lo ſo is their life ſhortened, for they are both men of unrighteouſneſs, and that have ſhed much innocent blood. So they bring their puniſhment upon their own head. The Lord ſhall ſearch home their unrighteouſneſs, and recompence their wickedneſs upon them, and their generation after them.

The wicked of the earth hate God, and the unrighteous is an abomination to the Lord: So come judgments upon all nations. The cup which the Lord hath given to drink, ſhall all nations drink. This is the year of the indignation of the Lord, and the day of his wrath: So doth the Lord ſhow himſelf when ſins are at their higheſt. So ſtand your ſins (Netherland) before the eyes of God as a provocation: Behold the Lord makes his beginning from you, and you muſt drink of the cup that's filled: the neighbours ſhall alſo drink thereof, and your enemies the dregs. So be patient, and kiſs the rod; for it is for your bettering, if you be patiently ſubmiſſive. Behold the Lord chaſtizeth in meaſure, and his ſtrokes are fatherly rods; and his anger for a

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time. So ſuffer patiently, and humble yourſelves under the chaſtiſing hand of God; and be obedient, and bow yourſelves under the will of God, for it is holy. The dark clouds vaniſh away: And lo the ſun-ſhine cometh; truſt on God, who ſhall deliver you, and his ſalvation ſhall be with you now, and always. Amen.

How rage the kings of the earth! they ſee not their fall: And they obſerve not, that the Almighty hath undertaken the war againſt them; ſo they proceed in the height of their ſpirits, till the Lord ſhall make them priſoners and bind their nobles with fetters: And ſo carry on his judgment over them, and cauſe their puniſhment to come upon them. Lo ſo doth God wi:h all the mighty of the earth, and their ring-leaders: the Lord ſhall break them as a ſtone-pot, and bruiſe them to pieces as an earthen veſſel; the Lord of Hoſts ſhall do it; for he is the God of ſtrength, and his dominion is above all the kings of the earth, and this is their judgment. All the violence is broken down: So comes the Lord to judgment, and he rightly judgeth all fleſh.

The Lord viſiteth all people. He goes from one people to another: So avengeth he the evil, and renders to every one according to his works. There is a ſcourge appointed among the worldly men: all ſhall feel their ſmart. O! ye kings of the

the earth; behold the day of the wrath of God is come, and who ſhall abide it? They have undertaken the war againſt the Lord, and his child Jeſus; ſo ſhall he fight againſt them and overcome; for he is a Lord of Lords, and a King of Kings. Death ſhall ſwallow them up, and the anger of the God of Iſrael is to conſume them, and they ſhall be razed out with their ring-leaders to the end. This is ſurely concluded by the Lord, and their ruin draweth nigh. How fooliſh was their counſel, and how wicked their will, when they would make war with the Lamb! Behold ſo doth the Lord laugh at their deſtruction, and their miſery is become an over-ſtream of the river of tears for ever. The zeal of the Lord, the Lord of Hoſts ſhall conſume them, and the wrath of the Almighty ſhall devour them for ever and ever. Amen.

There is a cry from far, Behold the day of God's wrath comes againſt all high hills, and the cedars of Lebanon. Theſe ſhall be hewed off, and be laid upon the fire and burnt; and ye high mountains ſhall be laid low. Theſe are the kings and the mighty upon earth. Behold the Lord ſhall bring them down into the valley of Jehoſaphat, and there ſhall a great ſlaughter be made. The Lord ſhall there do juſtice upon, and judge the kings and mighty ones of the earth by a ſlight and deſpiſed people. Theſe

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ſhall judge the earth, and the Lord ſhall be judge. Woe to you kings of the earth! Behold the people that ſhall judge you come out of the north. It is a people endued with the ſpirit of God. They are all men of valour, and God's heroics; before theſe ſhall all the kings and the mighty fly; for the Lord is their ſtrength. So comes the moſt High to his judgment, and the time of his wrath is. Lo the Lord comes, yea he comes ſpeedily. Amen.

The great noiſe of chariots and horſes approacheth. Theſe are appointed of the Lord for to take vengeance in his time. The Lord will make an end of all evil doers. Behold the world is judged through the fire of God's judgments; and the peſtilence, famine, ſcarcity, wars, and all ſorts of heavy plagues ſhall purge the whole earth, and there ſhall not a third part of man remain over, who ſhall not die through theſe plagues. Lo this ſhall the Lord do in his time: and ſo goes Chriſt into his kingdom. The Lord delays not, but is upon the journey: yea behold, the Lord comes ſuddenly, and his reward is with him to do to every one as he hath done to others. They who have led others into priſon, ſhall themſelves be led into priſon: and whoſo hath ſlain with the ſword, ſhall himſelf be ſlain with the ſword: and whoſo hath killed, ſhall himſelf be killed. So comes God to revenge, and the Lord judgeth with a rightly meaſured judgment; and all the

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earth confeſſeth that the Lord is righteous, requiting every wicked *wight* according to his works. Amen. Hallelujah.

All the earth is ſet in judgment before the Lord. Behold the day of the Almighty is come, to recompence every one according to his works. How hath my ſoul for many years been bitterly grieved for you, and my heart hath been troubled becauſe of your apoſtacy from God! You have made me drink of the cup before you, and it was gall and bitterneſs to me; but the Lord hath altered it into a wholeſome medicine for me. Now are you mournful, and as it were ſit down in ſorrow: when I lift up my head on high unto my God; and expect my deliverance from heaven. How have you perſecuted me from my youth up: that I found no friend that comforted me: all were my adverſaries, the Lord alone ſupported me with his grace! Then ye jeered me, and ſaid, I was a fool, and mocked at my words: when I warned you to penitence, and to lie in aſhes, and declared the judgments of God; then was I erroneous, and a falſe prophet. When I preached, that the Lord Jeſus ſhould come as a king upon the earth for to rule his people: then threw ye me into priſon, and threatened my death. When I diſcovered the wickedneſſes, and the evil of the ungodly; then ye ſcandalized me. When I ſhewed the ſins and the falling off of the ſpiritual and eccleſiaſtic perſons, and their lukewarmneſs,

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and lazineſs; then fell you upon me with reproachful words, ſaying, that I was miſled by the devil, and that I ſpake lies and blaſphemies; and ſo was I at all times judged, and was in my native country, and among my kindred, reckoned for a wicked wight and evil-minded man; and ſo perſecuted and hated by all. Thus hath the Lord exerciſed me from my youth up: and ſo live I in an expectation of my God; ſeeing what he hath determined concerning me. The time draws near, that the Lord ſhall reſtore all. A new heaven and earth are ſeen, and happy are they that ſhall inherit the ſame. Amen. Hallelujah.

That the godly monarchy muſt follow (as we have ſhewed in the beginning) after the fourth monarchy, is certain. Let the whole earth keep a ſtir againſt it, it is in vain. The Lord Chriſt muſt have the dominion, and tread all his enemies under his feet: ſo let every one prepare himſelf for his coming. Behold he is upon his journey, and brings bleſſing and proſperity with him for his darlings, and thoſe who have waited for his coming: And curſe and wrath upon the head of all deſpiſers, and thoſe who have mocked and reproached; as the Lord ſpake by his ſervants, whom he had ſtired up to bring to the world the meſſage of the coming of this great Monarch, the Lord Jeſus Chriſt. He that can believe it let him believe it. He that can receive it, let him receive it.

it. Behold he cometh, and ye ſhall ſee his glory. Amen. Hallelujah.

The kings and monarchs, that now are, dance after Satan; and would gladly draw the kingdom to themſelves: ſo fall they lamentably, and their fall is for ever; for they would rob Chriſt of his honour, ſo are they enemies of God, and perſecutors, but no followers of Chriſt. So their judgment haſtens, and hell gapes for their coming, yea the Lord ſhall judge them. The time of their violence is ſhort; ſo do they raiſe tumults with the greater force; the devil will make a rich prey; ſo miſleads he the mighty of the earth, and they are his ſervants: and ſo gathers he many ſouls for everlaſting fire.

Be you inſtructed ye kings, and princes of the earth. Behold the Lord Jeſus muſt poſſeſs all. Give him the dominion over your crown, ſoul, and body. He alone is ruler in Iſrael, and woe to him that ſtrives againſt him, his miſery is for ever! You kings who ſit as it were at one table for to do evil, and pamper yourſelves with meat full of poiſon; and forge wicked counſel againſt your neighbour: behold even ſo eat you your death and hell. Woe to you, you prieſts and teachers; who call good evil, and evil good! Who adjudge the truths of God, and contemn the wholeſome admonitions. Who ſlander the prophecies of God, and caſt off all the fore-warnings given to

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the people for their amendment: Behold a heavy judgment hangs over your head, and the Lord ſhall be jealous againſt you with a great jealouſy, and the head and the tail ſhall be cut off together; the teacher and the ſcholar; the king and the ſubjects, all ſhall be rooted out, ſo many as have not their names written up at Shiloh, and which are not found at Jeruſalem; and who have not followed the truth; but erred through the drift of their concupiſcence and ſeducing; denied and perſecuted the Lord their God, and have carried reproachfully. The Lord ſhall avenge their wickedneſs, and requite their rebellion committed againſt his Son. Theſe words are true: yea, and Amen.

Pride of heart, and a ſpirit puffed up deſpiſe the Lord. So let every one be lowly, and give themſelves to repentance, ſackcloth and aſhes: if ſo the Lord might yet turn away his wrath from you (my native country) though you have long been rebellious, and have not liſtened to the voice of the Lord; ſo that behold your judgments is made heavy; and the rod and chaſtiſing hand of God highly lifted up upon you: wake therefore, and ſleep not. The Lord ſhall make your enemies fly, and their flight haſteneth, if you heartily repent. I write theſe things for your bettering: the Lord move your hearts, that you might all ſee and underſtand, that the Lord ſpeaks to you. I ſhall be found guiltleſs at the laſt judgment;

ment; for I have kept back nothing of the judgments, and counſel of God concerning you: but I have from time to time faithfully made the ſame known to your rulers, church-miniſters, and to the people, both by word and writing, even as I do to this preſent day. The Lord be witneſs between you and me. Amen.

JOHN
The ſervant of God.

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